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1. SUMMARY: VARIOUS SOURCES APRIL 19 REPORT APPARENT MOMENTUM TOWARD INCONCLUSIVE APRIL 26 WDC SPECIAL COMITE MEETING WHICH WOULD NOT ELECT BUREAU. CHINESE HAVE MADE DEMARCHE TO JAPANESE IN TOKYO; JAPANESE STILL RESERVING POSITION. END SUMMARY.

2. JAPANESE MISOFF TELEPHONED US MORNING APRIL 19 TO REPORT THAT CHINESE COUNSELLOR IN TOKYO HAD CALLED ON IO BUREAU DEPUTY DIRECTOR AMAU PREVIOUS DAY TO CLARIFY POSITION ON SPECIAL COMITE. CHINESE COUNSELLOR SAID SYG' S CONVENING APRIL 26 MEETING WAS RESULT OF " SOCIAL- IMPERIALIST INTRIGUE" AND OF POLISH GA PRESIDEN' S HAVING BEEN " STOOGES" OF USSR. THEREFORE, CHINESE SAID, PRC RESOLUTELY OPPOSES MEETING. ASKED JAPANESE ATTITUDE.

3. AMAU TOLD CHINESE (A) THAT GOJ IN PRINCIPLE AGREES WITH OBJECTIVE OF WDC BUT BELIEVES WDC SHOULD NOT BE PROPAGANDA FORUM AND THAT PARTICIPATION OF ALL NUCLEAR STATES SHOULD BE OBTAINED; (B) THAT GOJ HAS NOT YET MADE FINAL DECISION ON APRIL 26 MEETING, WHICH WOULD BE MAINLY FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION PROCEDURAL MATTERS; (C) THAT GOJ BELIEVES THAT, SINCE MOST MEMBERS WILL PARTICIPATE, MEETING IS " UNAVOIDABLE" AND (D) THAT IT THUS MIGHT BE PREFERABLE FOR JAPAN TO PARTICIPATE IN ORDER TO EXPLAIN ITS BASIC POSITION AND TO DEFEND AGAINST POLITICAL EXPLOITATION OF MEETING. CHINESE REPLIED BY MERELY EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR AMAU' S STATEMENT.

4. JAPANESE MISOFF IGUCHI, WHO SAID PRC HAD NOT RECENTLY APPROACHED JAPANESE DEL HERE, SAID JAPANESE WOULD REACH FINAL DECISION AFTER AFRICAN, ASIAN AND LATIN AMERICAN GROUP POSITIONS FURTHER REFINED EARLY NEXT WEEK.

5. AT APRIL 19 LUNCHEON BY JAPANESE ATTENDED BY USUN MISOFF, PAKISTANI COUNSELOR MEHDI AND CHINESE MISOFF CHAO REPORTED FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING WDC SPECIAL COMITE:

(A) CONSULTATIONS AMONG EUROPEAN, LATIN AMERICAN AND ASIAN MEMBERS OF SPECIAL COMITE HAVE CREATED MOMENTUM TOWARD SUBSTANTIAL MINORITY OF 31 MEMBERS AGREEING BEFORE APRIL 26 MEETING THAT THEY WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN SPECIAL COMITE EVEN IF BUREAU ELECTED. IF TREND NOW HOLDS, MEHDI BELIEVES, CONFIDENTIAL

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MEMBERS WILL GATHER APRIL 26 AND AT MOST WILL PERMIT PRO TEM CHAIRMAN TO GGAVEL MEETING OPEN. IT IS POSSIBLE, HOWEVER, THAT SIZE OF MINORITY DISSIDENT GROUP WILL HAVE SUFFICIENT STRENGTH TO DISCOURAGE EVEN THIS STEP.

(B) AFRICAN MEMBERS OF COMITE REPORTEDLY MET AFTERNOON APRIL 19 TO ATTEMPT CONSENSUS POSITION. FOLLOWING THIS MEETING OF SIX, AFRICAN REGIONAL GROUP WILL DISCUSS. CHAO SAID THAT ZAMBIANS ARE NOW INCLINED TO FAVOR SOME FORM OF GARCIA ROBLES

TACTIC AND PROMISED TO RECOMMEND THIS TO OTHER AFRICAN MEMBERS.

(C) CHILEAN PERMREP HAS NOW BACKED AWAY SOMEWHAT FROM SUPPORTING SOV POSITION, HAVING PERSONALLY SOUGHT OUT HUANG HUA TO MAKE AMENDS WITH CHINESE. CHILE LEFT CHINESE WITH IMPRESSION THAT IT WOULD TRY TO CONCERT WITH OTHER LATINS, BUT REMAINED, AS CHILE PERMREP PUT IT, IN " SOMEWHAT AWKWARD POSITION. "

(D) SPAIN DEL, WHICH EARLIER HAD STOOD APART FROM OTHER WE' S, INDICATED THAT IT WILL NOT PUSH FOR FORMAL MEETING OF SPECIAL COMITE. (LATIN AMERICAN OPPOSITION HAS STRONGLY INFLUENCED SPANISH CHANGE, CANADIANS TELL US.)

6. CHAO ASKED MEET MISOFF LATER IN AFTERNOON APRIL 19 TO REPORT PRIVATELY THAT AMB HUANG APRIL 18 HAD MADE APPOINTMENT TO KEEP PRESSURE ON SYG WALDHEIM AND TO ASK SYG ABOUT INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 26 MEETING. WALDHEIM TOLD HUANG THAT HE HAD DONE WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRED OF HIM AND THAT THEREFORE HE WOULD NOT BE PRESIDING AT MEETING. CHINESE WERE NOT CLEAR ABOUT WHO WOULD ACT FOR HIM.

7. SRI LANKA PERMREP AMERASINGHE HAS INFORMED CANADIAN DEPUTY HEARN THAT HE PREPARED TO ACCEPT LATIN SCENARIO FOR APRIL 26 MEETING AND VENTURED THAT NO BUREAU WOULD BE ELECTED. (COMMENT: THIS WOULD REPRESENT IMPROVEMENT OVER SL POSITION AT LAST WEEK' S ASAIN MEETING.)
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